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Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated November 18, 2003 for three(3) month(s) from February 18, 2004 to May 18, 2004. An Amendment responding to the aforesaid Office Action is being filed concurrently herewith.

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